

Application No. 10/822,236
Attorney Docket No.: 14123-23

Remarks

This application has been reviewed in light of the Office Action dated March 16, 2006. In view of this amendment, Claims 1-28 are now pending in this case, with Claims 1, 7, 17, and 18 in independent form.

At the outset, Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 1-17.

In the Office Action, Claims 18-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite because it recited a "tacky material." In view of this rejection, Claim 18 is amended to delete the recitation of a "tacky material," and to instead call for an illumination device comprising "a self-limiting layer comprising phosphor particles adhered to the LED by a layer of adhesive material." Support for this amendment may be found in the application as published (U.S. Patent Appl. Publication No. 2005/0224830) at least in paragraph [0016] and [0018].

Claims 24-28 are new. These claims have been added by this amendment to provide Applicants with a more complete scope of protection. Support for newly added claims may be found in the application as published at least in paragraphs [0023] and [0024]. No new matter is added by this amendment.

In view of the above remarks and amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 1-28 are in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration in this regard is earnestly solicited.

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If any additional fee is deemed necessary for this Amendment to be entered and considered by the Examiner, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. **501358**.

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